

In re the Application of

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For: FINE GRAINED SPUTTERING TARGETS OF COBALT AND NICKEL BASE ALLOYS MADE VIA CASTING IN METAL MOLDS FOLLOWED BY HOT FORGING AND ANNEALING AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 98, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to US Patent No. 4,966,677 to Aichert listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. The undersigned believes the reference US Patent No. 4,966,676 to Archut listed on page 2 of the present application should have been the presently cited US Patent No. 4,966,677 to Aichert.

Applicants present the reference so the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see Beckman Instruments, Inc. v. Chemtronics, Inc., 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPO 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rule 104. Applicants respectfully request that the reference be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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